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In re application of:

Art Unit:

3677

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Examiner:

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For: Self Adjusting, High Strength, Screw System

Response to Restriction Requirement

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Communication from the Examiner mailed May 15, 2005 setting forth a shortened statutory response period of one month.

The Applicants elect without traverse Species E, Fig. 14, for prosecution in the present application. Claims 1-14, 16, 17 and 22-24 are readable on species E.

The Applicants retain the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter of the claims of the non-elected species.

> Respectfully submitted, **RIDOUT & MAYBEE LLP**

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